# APC PowerStack 450 100V Uninterruptible Power Supply User's Manual





# PowerStack 450 Quick Reference Guide

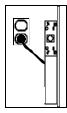
# **About Your New PowerStack UPS**

This Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) is designed to prevent blackouts, brownouts, sags and surges from reaching your computer and other valuable electronic equipment. This UPS also filters out small utility line fluctuations and isolates your equipment from large disturbances by internally disconnecting from the utility line, while supplying power from its internal batteries until the utility line returns to safe levels.

While running on battery, an internal alarm will sound (periodic beeps).

If the utility power does not return, the UPS will continue supplying power to the connected equipment until exhausted. A continuous beeping will sound two minutes before the UPS's final low battery shutdown. If using a computer, you must manually save your files and power down before the UPS turns itself off.

# Installation and Setup



## 1. Install UPS

Plug the power cord into the power supply.



## 2. Connect Equipment

- Do not power laser printers through the UPS.
- Use your equipment's power cords to connect to the UPS.
- Turn on all connected equipment.



## 3. Turn on UPS

- Press the UPS's ON switch to turn on your UPS.
   This will power-up connected equipment.
- The unit performs a self-test automatically when turned on, and every two weeks thereafter.
- The UPS charges its battery whenever it is connected to utility power. The battery charges fully during the first 4 hours of normal operation.
   Do not expect full runtime during this initial charge period.

# **Troubleshooting**

Use the chart below to solve minor UPS installation problems. Contact APC for assistance with complex UPS problems. See the *User's Manual* for a location near you.

User's Manual for a location	near year
Problem and	Solution
Possible Cause	
UPS will not turn on.	
• ON button not pushed.	Press the ON button once to power the UPS and the load.
• UPS not connected to AC power supply.	Check that the power cable from the UPS to the power supply is securely connected to the AC power source.
UPS input circuit breaker tripped.	Reduce the load on the UPS by unplugging equipment and reset the circuit breaker (on back of UPS) by pressing the plunger back in.
Very low or no utility voltage.	Check the AC power supply to the UPS with a table lamp. If very dim, have the utility voltage checked.
<ul> <li>Battery not connected properly.</li> </ul>	Confirm the battery connections.
UPS will not turn off.	
• Internal UPS fault.	Do not attempt to use the UPS. Unplug the UPS and have it serviced immediately.
UPS operates on-battery al	though normal line voltage exists.
• UPS's input circuit breaker	Reduce the load on the UPS by
tripped.	unplugging equipment and reset the circuit breaker(on back of UPS) by
• Very high, low, or distorted line voltage	pressing the plunger back in.  Move the UPS to a different outlet on a different circuit.
<ul><li>UPS beeps occasionally.</li><li>Normal UPS on battery operation.</li></ul>	None. The UPS is protecting the load.
UPS does not provide expec	ted backup time.
• The UPS's battery is weak	Charge the battery. Batteries require
due to recent outage or is near the end of its service life.	recharging after extended outages. Also, they wear faster when put into service often or when operated at
	elevated temperatures. If the battery is near the end of its service life, consider replacing the battery even if the replace battery indicator is not yet lit.
• The UPS is overloaded.	Check the UPS's load display. Unplug less needed equipment, such as printers.
All indicators are lit and U	PS emits a constant beeping.
• Internal UPS fault.	Do not attempt to use the UPS. Turn the UPS off and have it serviced immediately.
Overload indicator is on an	d beeps constantly.
UPS is overloaded.	Unplug less needed equipment, such as printers.
The replace battery light is	lit.
<ul><li>Weak batteries.</li><li>Replacement batteries not connected properly.</li></ul>	Do another self test to see if it clears. Confirm the battery connections.

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# Safety

This section contains important instructions that should be followed during installation and maintenance of the PowerStack 450 and batteries. It is intended for customers who setup, install, relocate, or maintain APC equipment.

## **Electrical Safety**

- Do not work alone under hazardous conditions.
- High short circuit current through conductive materials could cause severe burns.
- Check that the power cord(s), plug(s), and sockets are in good condition.
- To reduce the risk of electric shock when grounding cannot be verified, disconnect the equipment from the AC power outlet before installing or connecting to other equipment. Reconnect the power cord only after all connections are made.
- Do not handle any kind of metallic connector before the power has been removed.
- Use one hand, whenever possible, to connect or disconnect signal cables to avoid a possible shock from touching two surfaces with different electrical grounds.
- Connect the equipment to a three wire AC outlet (two poles plus ground). The receptacle must be connected to appropriate branch circuit/mains protection (fuse or circuit breaker). Connection to any other type of receptacle may result in a shock hazard.

# CAUTION! Deenergizing Safety

- If the equipment has an internal energy source (the battery), the output may be energized when the unit is not connected to an AC power outlet.
- To deenergize: first press the Off button for more than one second to switch the equipment off. Next disconnect the equipment from the AC power outlet. Finally, disconnect the battery.
- Pluggable equipment includes a protective earth conductor which carries the leakage current from the load devices (computer equipment). Total leakage current must not exceed 3.5 mA.
- Use of this equipment in life support applications where failure of this equipment can reasonably be expected to cause the failure of the life support equipment or to significantly effect its safety or effectiveness is not recommended.

# WARNING! Battery Safety

• This equipment contains potentially hazardous voltages. Do not attempt to disassemble the unit. The only exception is for equipment containing batteries. Battery replacement using the procedures below is permissible. Except for the battery, the unit contains no user serviceable parts. Repairs are performed only by factory trained service personnel.



**Batteries must be recycled.** Deliver the battery to an appropriate recycling facility or ship it to the supplier in the new battery's packing material. See the new battery instructions for more information.

- Do not dispose of batteries in a fire. The batteries may explode.
- Do not open or mutilate batteries. They contain an electrolyte which is toxic and harmful to the skin and eyes.
- To avoid personal injury due to energy hazard, remove wrist watches and jewelry such as rings when replacing the batteries. Use tools with insulated handles.
- Replace batteries with the same number and type of batteries as originally installed in the equipment.

## **Handling Safety**



- Be careful. Do not lift heavy loads without assistance.
- Equipment with casters is built to move on a smooth surface without any obstacles.

- Do not use a ramp inclined at more than  $10^{\circ}$ .
- This equipment is intended for installation in a temperature-controlled ( $0^{\circ}$   $40^{\circ}$  C) indoor area, free of conductive contaminants.

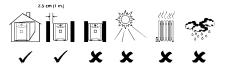
# **Initial Inspection**

Inspect the APC PowerStack 450 UPS upon receipt. Notify the carrier and dealer if there is damage. The packaging is recyclable; save it for reuse or dispose of it properly.

Warning: Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the warranty.

## Installation

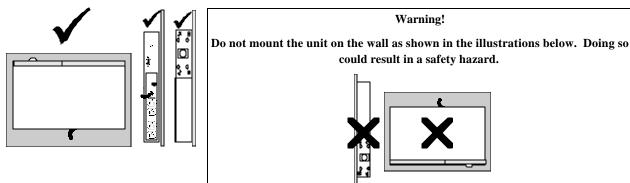
#### **Placement**



Install the UPS in a protected area that is free of excessive dust and has adequate air flow. Do not operate the UPS where the temperature and humidity is outside the specified limits.

## **Wall Mounting**

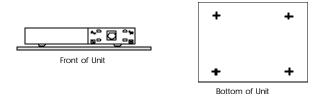
The brackets on the UPS can be rotated  $90^{\circ}$  for wall mounting. Remove the screws, rotate the brackets, and insert the screws in the appropriate holes. Wall-mount the unit with the controls towards or at the top, not at the bottom of the unit. The illustrations immediately below show the proper positions for wall mounting the unit.



## **Desktop Use**

This UPS is provided with four adhesive-backed rubber "feet" for desktop use. Attach the feet to the bottom of the unit and remove the ears to use it on a desktop.

The recommended placement of the feet is shown by a small + on the bottom corners of the unit:



## **Rack Mounting**

The UPS comes with standard 19" (46.5 cm) rack mount brackets. It is supplied with four (4) screws to attach the mounting brackets (ears) to the chassis.

Select a rack location with adequate air flow that is free from excessive dust. Ensure that the air vents on the sides of the UPS are not blocked. Do not operate the UPS where temperature or humidity are outside the limits listed in *Specifications*, page 9.



## Setup

Note: The UPS will not power up initially unless the AC voltage is in the normal operating range.

## **Rear View**





Plug the power cord into the power supply.



Connect equipment to the output receptacles.

- Do not power laser printers through the UPS.
- Use your equipment's power cords to connect to the UPS.
- Turn on all connected equipment.

# **Battery Pack Charge**

The UPS charges its battery pack whenever it is connected to utility power. The battery pack will charge fully during the first four hours of normal operation. Do not expect full battery back-up runtime during this initial charge period.

# ○ Computer Interface Port

The optional PowerChute® plus software from APC allows communication with the UPS through this port. PowerChute® plus can be used to monitor and customize the UPS performance for a variety of operating conditions. Contact APC for software availability.

# **Operating Instructions**



With the UPS plugged in, press and release the on/off/test button to supply power to the loads. The loads are immediately powered while the UPS beeps and performs a self-test.

Press and release the on/off/test button to turn off power to the loads. It may be convenient to use the UPS as a master on/off switch for the protected equipment.

Note: Whenever the UPS is plugged in and utility voltage is present, the charger maintains battery charge.

# **LEDs and Audible Alarms**

 ${\bf T}_{\rm The\ on\ line\ LED\ illuminates\ when\ the\ UPS\ is\ supplying\ utility\ power\ to\ the\ loads.}$ 



During on-battery operation, the on-battery LED illuminates and the UPS sounds an audible alarm consisting of four beeps every 30 seconds. The alarm stops when the UPS returns to on-line operation.



When the UPS is overloaded (when the connected loads exceed the maximum specified in the "maximum load" listed in Specifications, page 9.), the overload LED comes on and the UPS emits a sustained tone. The alarm remains on until the overload is removed. Disconnect nonessential load equipment from the UPS to eliminate the overload.



If the battery fails a self-test, the UPS emits short beeps for one minute and the replace battery LED illuminates. The UPS repeats the alarm every five hours. Perform the self-test procedure to confirm replace battery conditions. The alarm stops when the battery passes the self-test.

Function			LED		Tone
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UPS is on	•	O	•	•	
UPS is running on battery	O	•	_	_	4
UPS is performing self-test	O	¥	•	•	_
Overload	_	_	O	_	1
Overload shutdown	_	_	O	_	1
Output short circuit	_	_	O	_	1
Transformer failure	_	_	O	_	1
Low Battery (while on battery)	O	_	_	_	1
Replace battery condition	_	_	_	O	2
Battery disconnected in self test	•	•	•	•	3
<b>UPS internal alarms:</b>					
boost/trim failure	¥	¥	•	•	1
transfer relay weld	¥	¥	¥	¥	1
sleep mode	_	¥	¥	_	_

Key:

	- 0
LED	Tone
— = irrelevant to condition	— = irrelevant to condition
<b>O</b> = on steady	1 = sustained tone
<b>¥</b> = flashing	2 = 1 minute of beeping every 5 hours
● = Off	3 = fading tone
	4 = 4 beeps every 30 seconds

# **Operating Modes**

## Shutdown Mode

In shutdown mode the UPS stops supplying power to the load, waiting for the return of utility power. If there is no utility power present, external devices (e.g., servers) connected to the computer interface can command the UPS to shut down. This is normally done to preserve battery capacity after the graceful shutdown of protected servers. The on-line and overload LEDs will blink alternately when the UPS is in shutdown mode.

#### Self-test

The UPS performs a self-test automatically when turned on, and every two weeks thereafter (by default). Automatic self-test eases maintenance requirements by eliminating the need for periodic manual self-tests.

During the self-test, the UPS briefly operates the loads on-battery. If the UPS passes the self-test, it returns to on-line operation.

If the UPS fails the self-test it immediately returns to on-line operation and lights the replace battery LED.

The loads are not affected by a failed test. Recharge the battery overnight and perform the self-test again. If the replace battery LED is still on, replace the battery using the procedure described in Replacing the Battery Pack, page 8.

## **Low Battery**

When the UPS is operating on-battery and the energy reserve of the battery runs low, the UPS beeps continuously until the UPS shuts down from battery exhaustion or returns to on-line operation.

### Cold Start

When the UPS is off and there is no utility power, use the cold start feature to apply power to the loads from the UPS's battery.

## Note: Cold start is not a normal condition.

- Press and hold the on/off/test button until the UPS emits a constant tone.
- Release the on/off/test button during the tone to start the UPS.

# **Storage**

# **Storage Conditions**

Store the UPS covered and upright in a cool, dry location, with its battery fully charged. Before storing, charge the UPS for at least four hours.

## **Extended Storage**

At -15 to +30 °C (+5 to +86 °F), charge the UPS's battery every 6 months.

At +30 to +45 °C (+86 to +113 °F), charge the UPS's battery every 3 months.

# **Replacing the Battery Pack**

This UPS has an easy to replace hot-swappable battery pack.

Note: Please read the cautions in the APC Safety Guide.

## **Replacement Batteries**

See your dealer or call the number in this manual for information on replacement battery pack kits, order RBC18.

## **Battery Pack Replacement Procedure**

Battery pack replacement is a safe procedure, isolated from electrical hazards. You may leave the UPS and loads on for the following procedure.

### Notes

- Once the battery pack is disconnected, the loads are not protected from power outages.
- Be careful removing the batteries they are heavy.
- Small sparks at the battery connectors are normal during connection.



1. Reach into the finger pull and remove the front cover.



Use a flat-blade screwdriver to turn the two battery door screws ¼ turn counterclockwise; open the door.



Grasp the clear plastic tab and gently pull the battery pack out of the UPS until the battery connector is visible.

## Warning! Do not force the battery pack out. This may damage internal wiring!



 Disconnect the battery connector by gripping both sides of the connector and firmly pulling them apart.



5. Slide the battery pack out of the UPS.



- 6. Slide the new battery pack three-fourths of the way into the UPS.
- 7. Connect the battery connector attached to the unit to the connector attached to the new battery pack.
- 8. Push the battery pack in as far as it will go. There are stops in the back to prevent it from going too far.
- Close the battery door, turn the battery compartment screws ¼ turn clockwise, and replace the front cover.





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# **Specifications**

Acceptable input voltage	0 - 150 VAC	
Input voltage (on-line operation)	User adjustable through PowerChute® plus.	
Nominal Range	74-119 VAC	
Maximum Range	69-126 VAC	
Output voltage)	User adjustable through PowerChute® plus.	
Nominal Range	92-108 VAC	
Maximum Range	86-114 VAC	
Input Over Current Protection	Resettable circuit breaker	
Frequency limits (on-line operation)	47 - 63 Hz	
Transfer time	5.5 ms typical, blackout response time	
Maximum load	450 VA 280 W	
On-battery output voltage	100 VAC	
On-battery frequency	50 or 60 Hz, ±0.1 Hz; synchronized to utility	
On-battery waveshape	Stepped sine-wave	
Output Over Current Protection	Overcurrent and short-circuit protected,	
	latching shutdown on overload	
Battery type	Spill proof, maintenance free, sealed lead-	
	acid	
Typical battery life	3 to 6 years, depending on number of	
	discharge cycles and ambient temperature	
Typical recharge time	4 to 8 hours from total discharge	
Operating temperature	0 to +40 °C (+32 to +104 °F)	
Storage temperature	-15 to +45 °C (+5 to +113 °F)	
Operating and storage relative humidity	5 to 95%, non-condensing	
Operating elevation	0 to +3,000 m (0 to +10,000 ft)	
Storage elevation	0 to +15,000 m (0 to +50,000 ft)	
Audible noise at 1 m (3 ft)	<38 dBA	
Size (H x W x D)	1.75 x 17.5 x 13.0 in.	
Weight - net (shipping)	22.5 (26.5) lb.	
Safety and approvals	UL1449, UL1778	
EMC Emissions	VCCI Class A	

# **Service**

If the UPS requires service do not return it to the dealer! Follow these steps:

- 1. Use the *Troubleshooting* section of the *Quick Reference Guide* to eliminate common problems.
- 2. Verify that no circuit breakers are tripped. A tripped circuit breaker is the most common UPS problem!
- 3. If the problem persists, call customer service or visit the APC Internet Website (www.apcc.com).
- 4. Note the model number of the UPS, the serial number, and the date purchased. A technician will ask you to describe the problem and try to solve it over the phone, if possible. If this is not possible the technician will issue a Return Merchandise Authorization Number (RMA#).
- 5. If the UPS is under warranty, repairs are free. If not, there is a repair charge.
- 6. Disconnect the batteries before packing the UPS.
- 7. Pack the UPS in its original packaging. If the original packing is not available, ask customer service about obtaining a new set.
- 8. Pack the UPS properly to avoid damage in transit. Never use Styrofoam beads for packaging. Damage sustained in transit is not covered under warranty.

- 9. Include a letter with your name, RMA#, address, copy of the sales receipt, description of the trouble, your daytime phone number, and a check (if necessary).
- 10.Mark the RMA# on the outside of the package.
- 11.Return the UPS by insured, prepaid carrier to the address given to you by Customer Service.

## **APC Japan Contact Information**



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# **Limited Warranty**

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